

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Thomas Belling et al.
Application No.: 10/520,630
Filed: August 19, 2005
Group Art No.: 2416
Confirmation No.: 9541
Examiner: Baron, Henry
Title: **AVOIDING MALFUNCTIONS IN MEDIA
GATEWAY CONTROLLERS AND/OR
MEDIA GATEWAYS**

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial review of the application referenced above by Thomas Belling et al. entitled "Avoiding Malfunctions In Media Gateway Controllers And/Or Media Gateways," please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.